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Sir:

Applicants hereby request that the listed information items be considered as part of the examination of the application. A list on Form PTO-1449 is attached hereto. Copies of information items AL, AM, AN and AR are enclosed.

In compliance with 37 CFR 1.98(a)(3)(i), applicant herewith provides a concise explanation of the relevance of information items AL, AM and AN not in the English language.

With reference to the figures and the attached English Language Abstract, Japanese Patent No. JP402061263 (information item AL) appears to disclose a television 30 positioned within a moisture proof cabinet 29, the cabinet being mounted near a bathtub 15 in a recess 36 of walls 16 and 17 adjacent to the tub.

With reference to the figures and the attached English Language Abstract, Japanese Patent No. JP402285171 (information item AM) appears to disclose a television 14 positioned on a movable shelf 12 in a bathroom setting adjacent to a bathtub 7.

With reference to the figures and the attached English language abstract, Japanese Published Unexamined Patent Publication No. JP404285511 (information item AN) appears to disclose a television 6 mounted on a platform adjacent to a bathtub 2, the platform being movable above and below a surface 5 by a mechanism 9.

Respectfully submitted,

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	AC	3,680,936	08/1972	Backhaus	312	7
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	AH	4,575,882	03/1986	Diamond	4	559
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